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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Natural Resources - Scenic and Wild Rivers Review Board**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Scenic and Wild Rivers Review Board to advise the  
4 Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources regarding the granting or  
5 denial of an application for a water appropriation permit that will directly  
6 impact a river that is part of the Scenic and Wild Rivers Program; requiring the  
7 Board to meet with a certain local scenic and wild river advisory board at least  
8 a certain number of days prior to providing certain advice to the Secretary;  
9 requiring the Board to meet upon the written request of the chairman of a local  
10 scenic and wild river board; and generally relating to the Scenic and Wild Rivers  
11 Review Board.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
13 Article - Natural Resources  
14 Section 8-403(b)  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
18 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

19 **Article - Natural Resources**

20 8-403.

21 (b) In addition to the duties set forth elsewhere in this subtitle, the Scenic and  
22 Wild Rivers Review Board shall:

23 (1) Review:

24 (i) Any inventory, study, plan, and regulation that is prepared  
25 under this subtitle; and

1 (ii) The recommendations on the inventory, study, plan, and  
2 regulation of the Secretary, any local governing body, or any local advisory board;

3 (2) [Meet regularly; and] ADVISE THE SECRETARY REGARDING THE  
4 GRANTING OR DENIAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR A WATER APPROPRIATION PERMIT  
5 THAT WILL DIRECTLY IMPACT A RIVER THAT IS PART OF THE SCENIC AND WILD  
6 RIVERS PROGRAM;

7 (3) Appoint, with the advice and consent of the appropriate local  
8 governing body, a local scenic and wild river advisory board for each river that is  
9 included in the Scenic and Wild Rivers Program[.];

10 (4) MEET REGULARLY;

11 (5) AT LEAST 60 DAYS BEFORE PROVIDING THE ADVICE REQUIRED BY  
12 PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, MEET WITH THE APPROPRIATE LOCAL SCENIC  
13 AND WILD RIVER ADVISORY BOARD; AND

14 (6) MEET UPON THE WRITTEN REQUEST OF THE CHAIRMAN OF A LOCAL  
15 SCENIC AND WILD RIVER BOARD.

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
17 October 1, 2003.